

THE
**BALLOON
MAN**



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PARENTS AND TEACHERS

The Balloon Man was the outgrowth of the interest a group of my six-year olds displayed in an actual balloon man, which by the way, seems always to hold a fascination for children.

They collected pictures and made pictures of their own and the little story gradually developed and was illustrated in our school-room and brought much joy to teacher and children.

Its vocabulary of 100 words offers necessary repetition of words essential to the reading vocabulary of low first pupils.

Of the 100 words 64 are found in the 100 word vocabulary core prepared for the low first grade in the Dallas Public Schools.

The little book in its present form answers the almost constant request of both children and parents for something during the early period of reading that actually belongs to the child that he may take home with him to prove to himself and his parents that he is learning to read. He takes the little book home with him to keep when he has finished it at school.

His interest in reading and in books is greatly increased by his having a part in making his own book in coloring the pictures.

Some of the pages for coloring furnish material for instructions from the blackboard. Some furnish excellent material for use of the child's own initiative while others may be used as a little reading test with crayolas.

Right here I wish to acknowledge to my supervisor, Miss Dodie Hooe, my appreciation to her for her interest in the little story and her encouragement to me in its development. Especially do I appreciate her suggestion that it be a combination seat-work and pre-primer for children of that age.

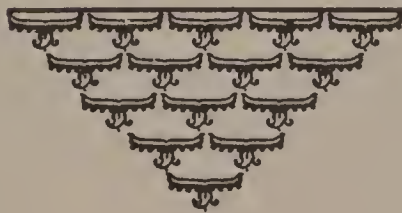
My wish is that teachers and children who use it may get as much joy as we did who first used it.

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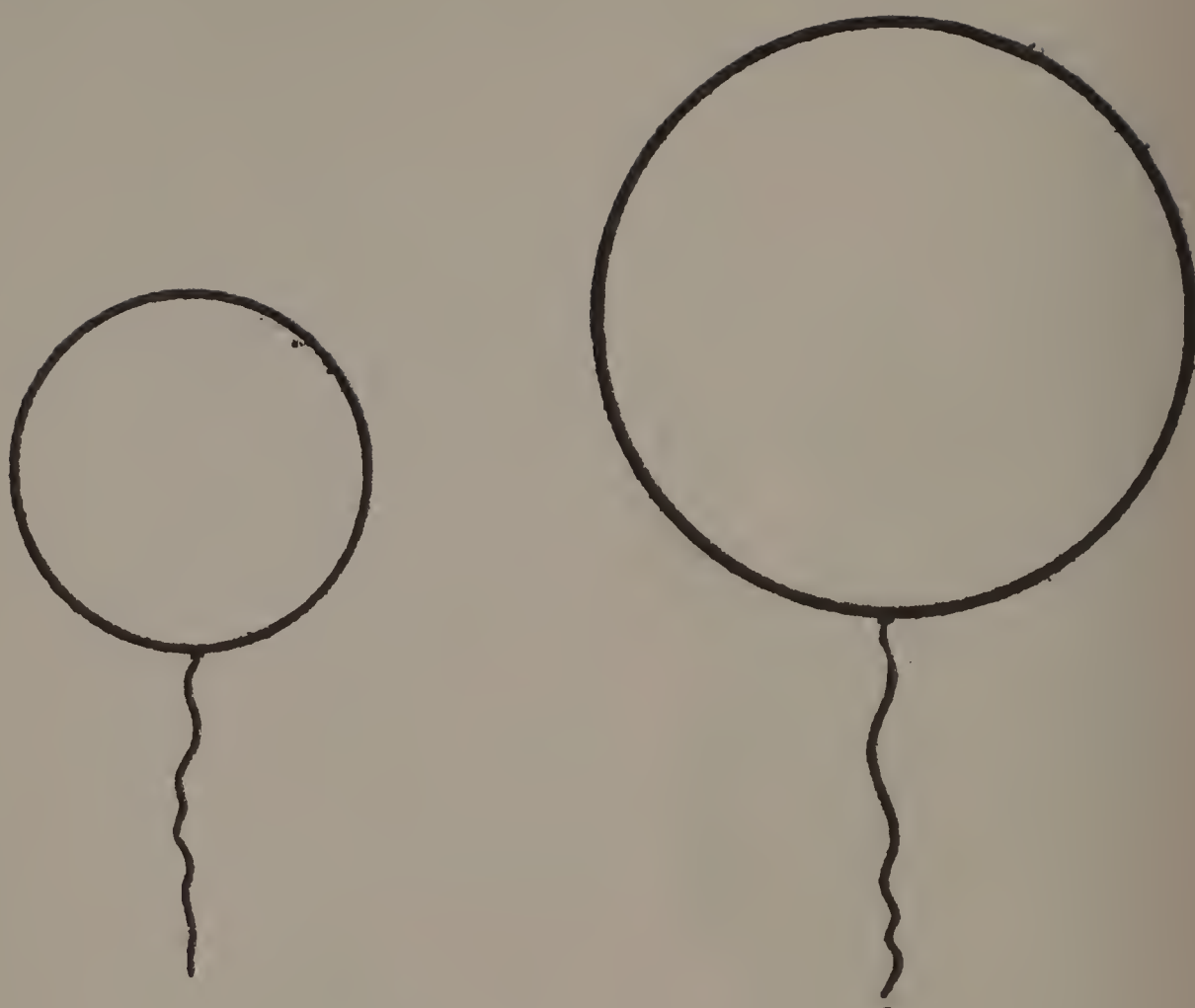
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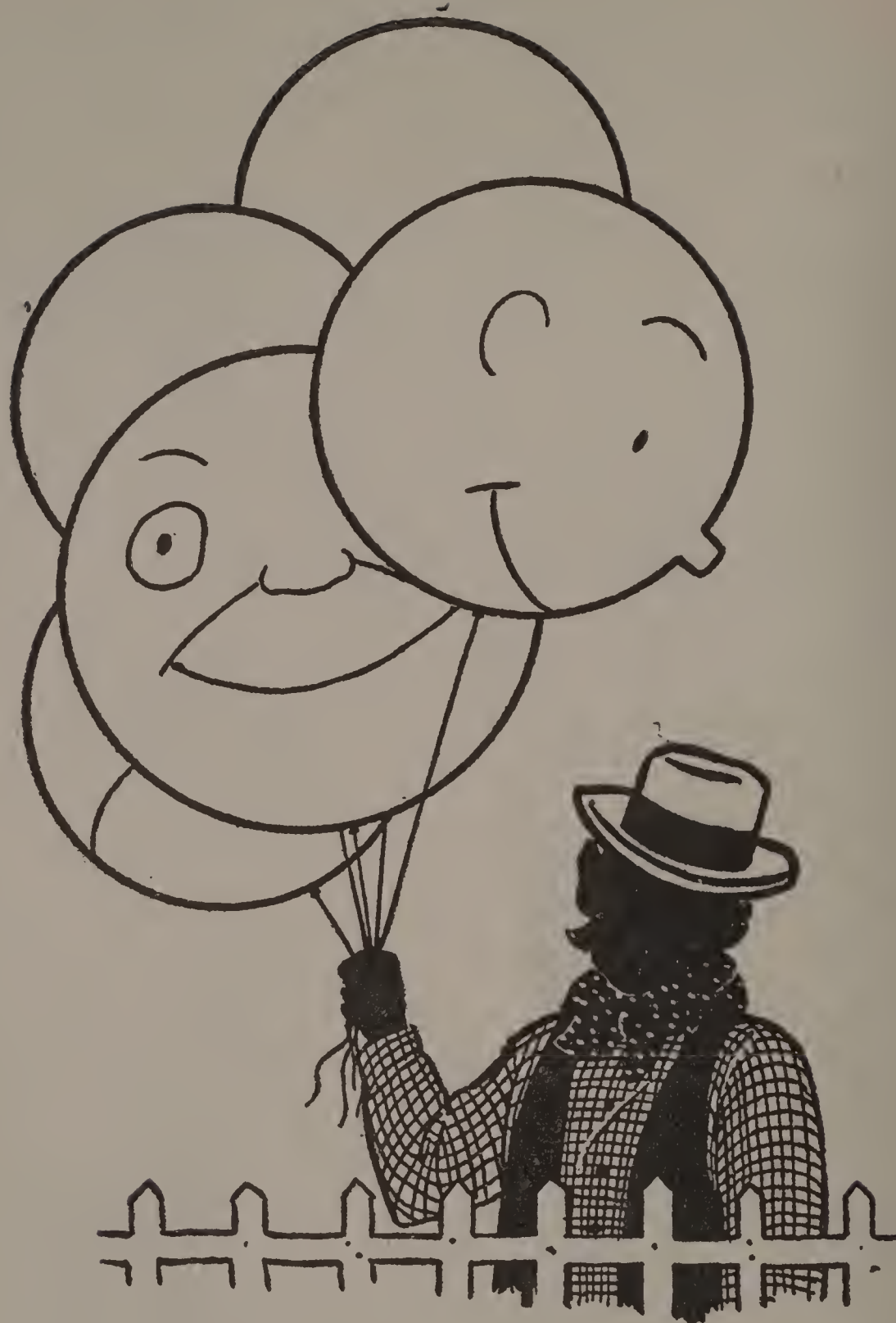
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I am the balloon man.
I have balloons.



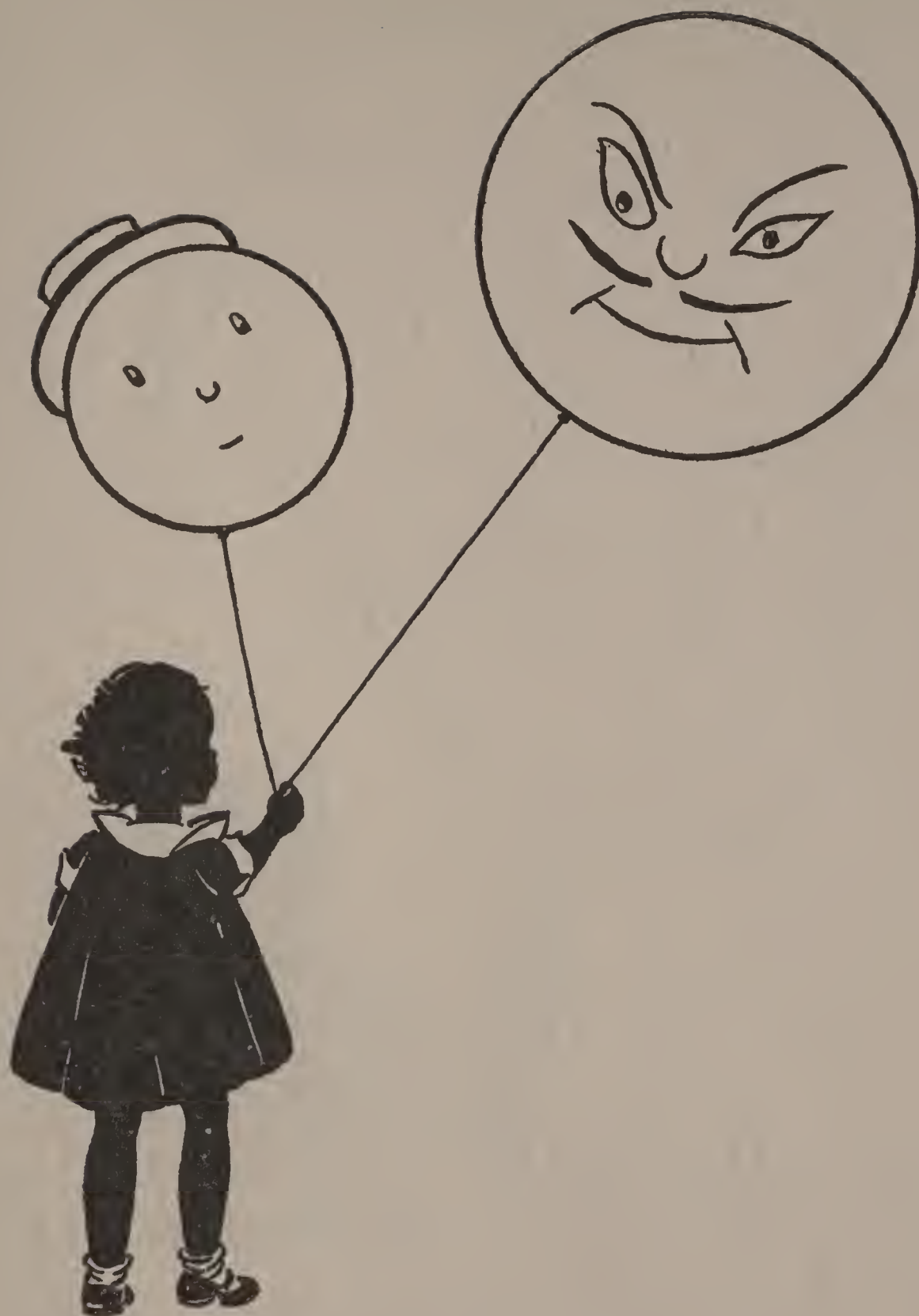
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I have balloons.
I have big balloons.
I have little balloons.



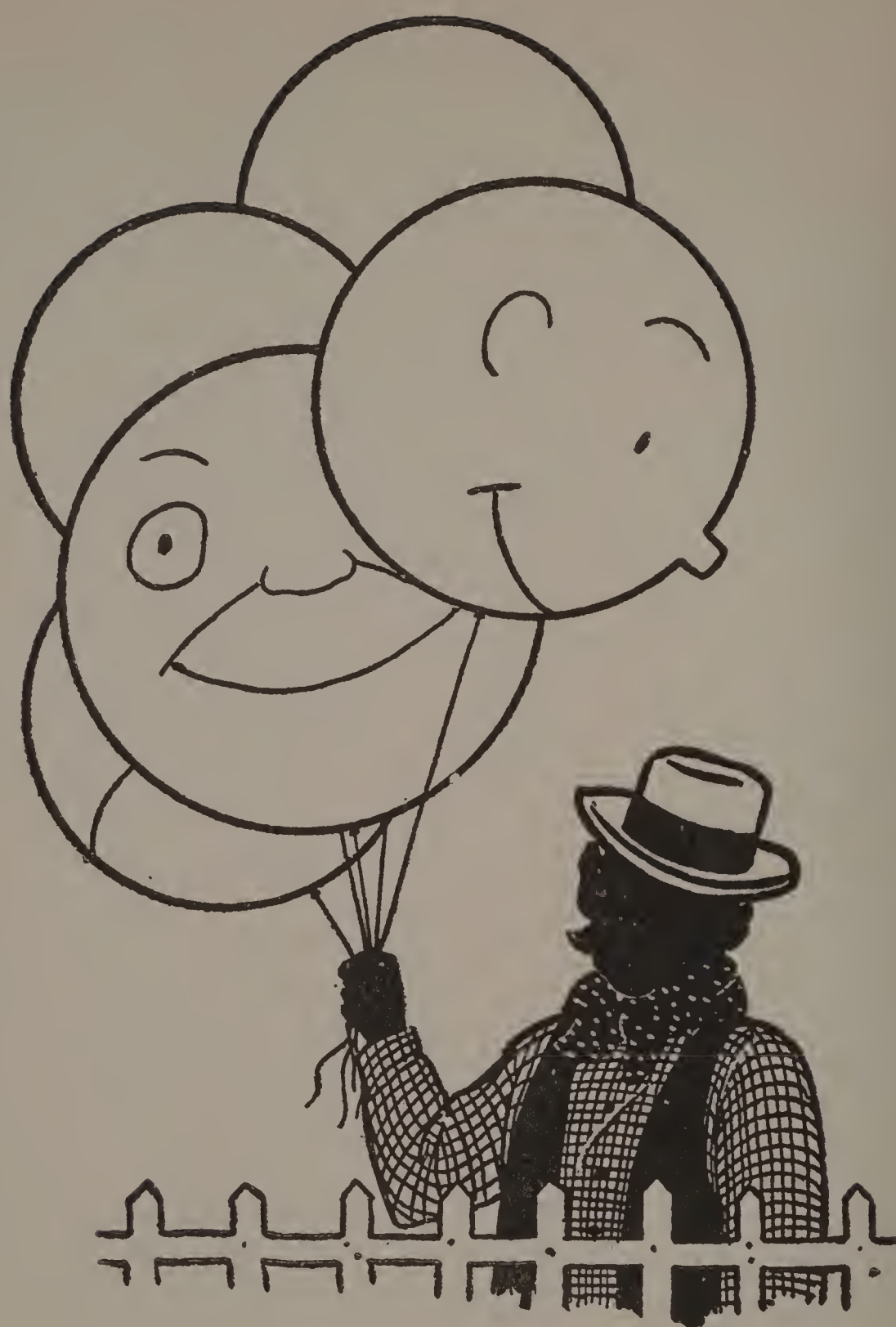
**I am the big balloon man.
I have balloons.
I have little red balloons.
I have big blue balloons.**



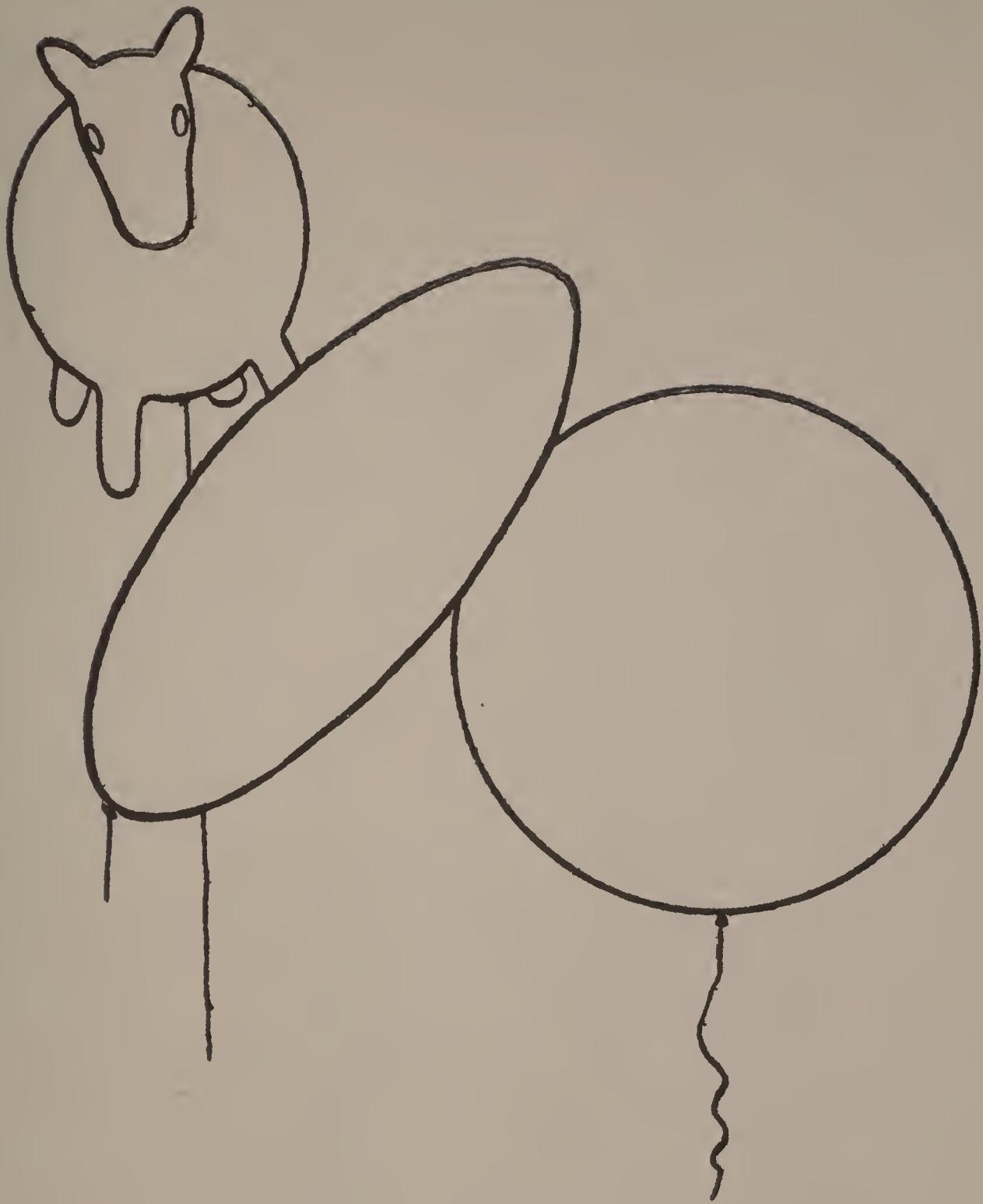
I am the big balloon man.
I sell balloons.
I sell little red ones.
I sell big blue ones.



Children buy balloons.
Children buy little red ones.
Children buy big blue ones.



Come, children, come.
Come and buy balloons.
Come and buy red ones.
Come and buy blue ones.



Some balloons are red.
Some balloons are blue.
Some balloons are yellow.
Some children buy yellow ones.
Some children buy blue ones.
Some children buy red ones.



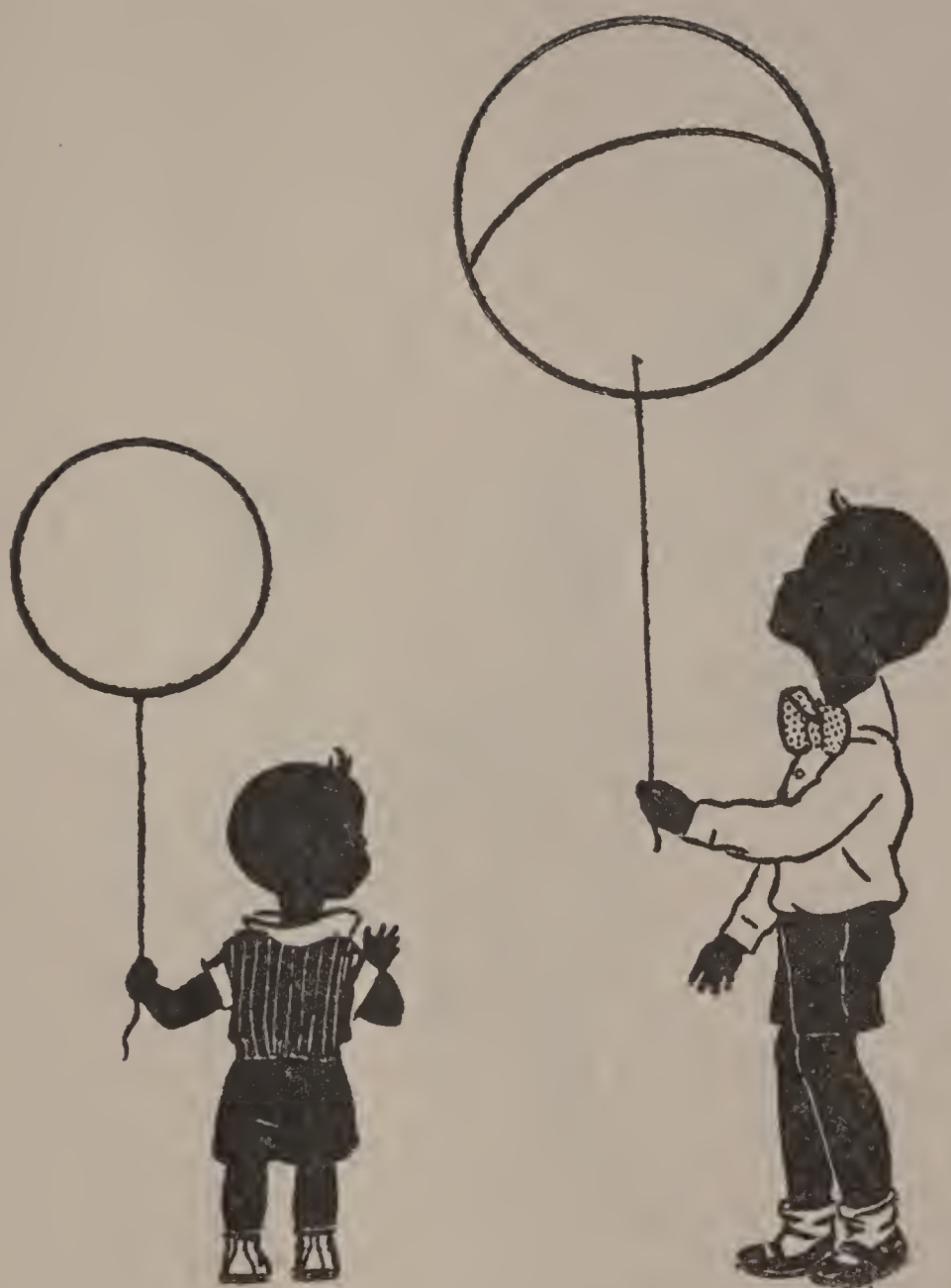
This is a big balloon.

This is a big green balloon.

Some children buy green ones.

Some buy red ones.

And some buy yellow ones.



The man says,

“Come, boys, come and buy.
Come and buy balloons, boys.”

The boys come.

The boys buy balloons.



The man says,
“Come, girls, come and buy.
Buy some balloons.
Buy some red ones.
Buy some green ones.”



A little girl came by.
She saw the balloons.
She saw red balloons.
She saw green ones.
She saw blue ones.
She saw yellow ones.



The man said,

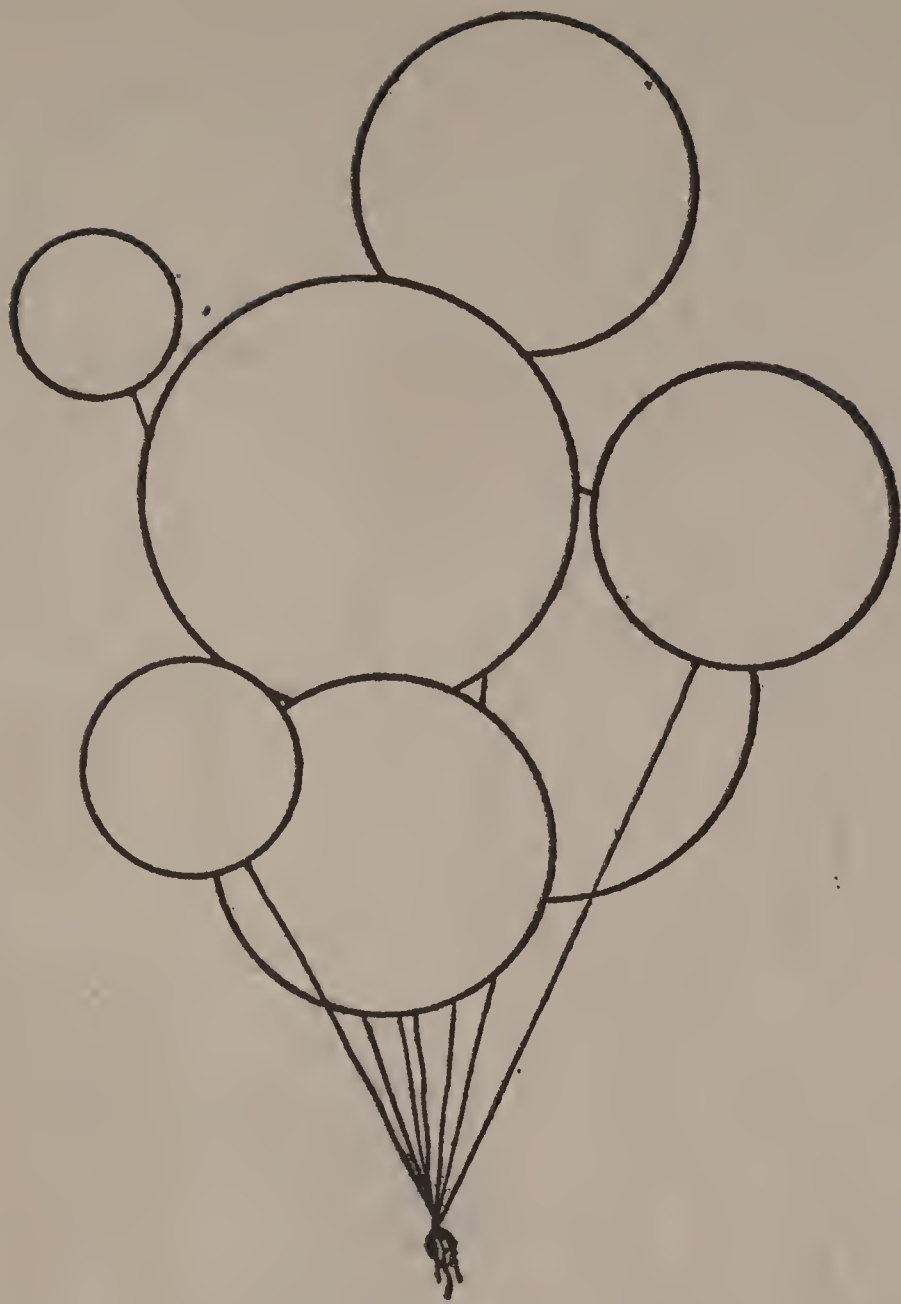
“Buy some balloons, little girl.

I have pretty balloons.

I have pretty blue ones.

I have pretty green ones.

I have pretty yellow ones.”



The girl said,

“Yes, I see the pretty balloons.

I see the pretty red ones.

I see the pretty green ones.

I see the pretty yellow ones.

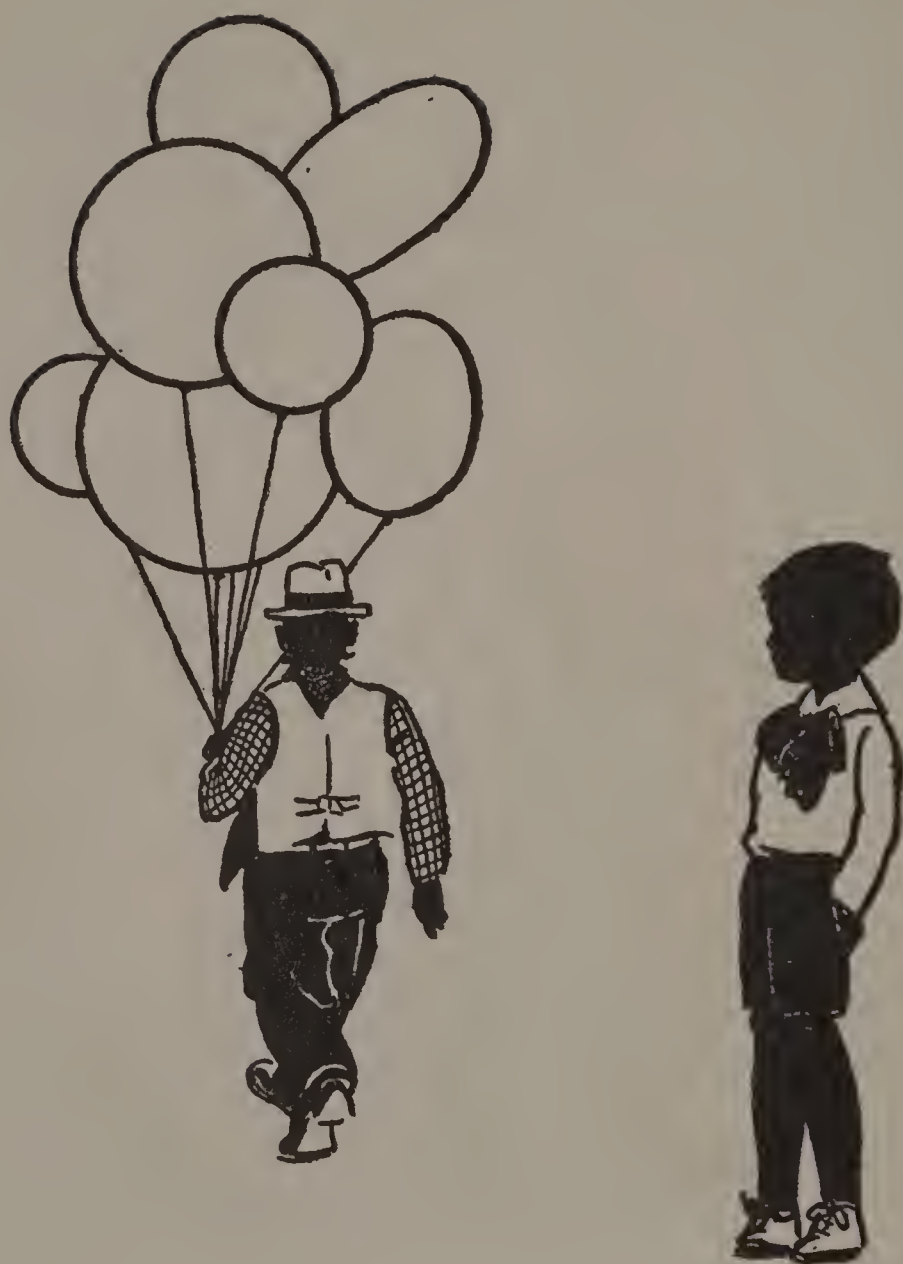
I see the pretty blue ones.”



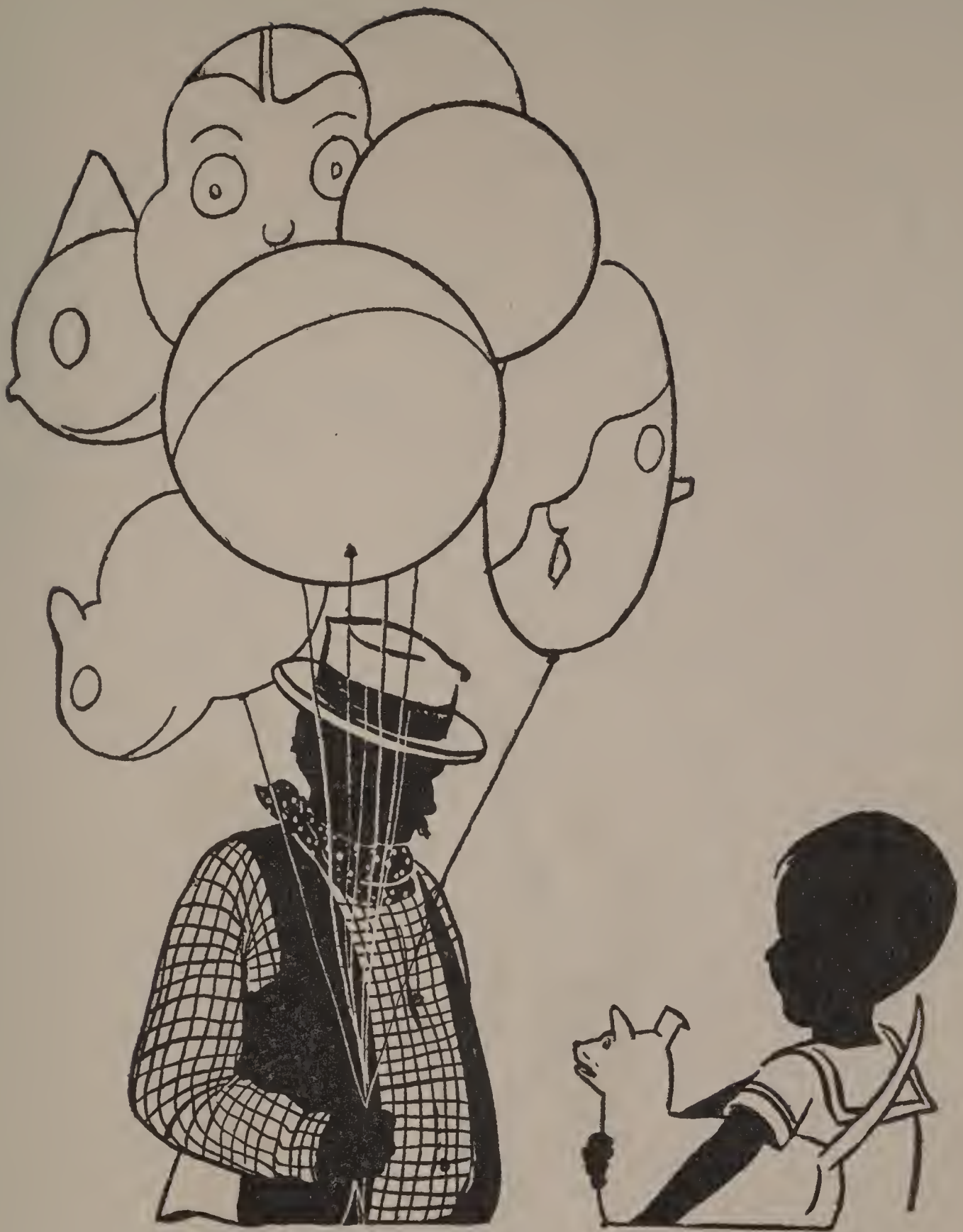
**“Will you buy?
Will you buy?” said the man.
“Yes, I will.
Yes, I will,” said the girl.**



The girl said,
“I want two red ones.
I want two blue ones.
I want two yellow ones.
I want two green ones.”



A boy came by,
He saw the balloon man.
He saw the pretty balloons.
He saw the girl's balloons.



The man said,

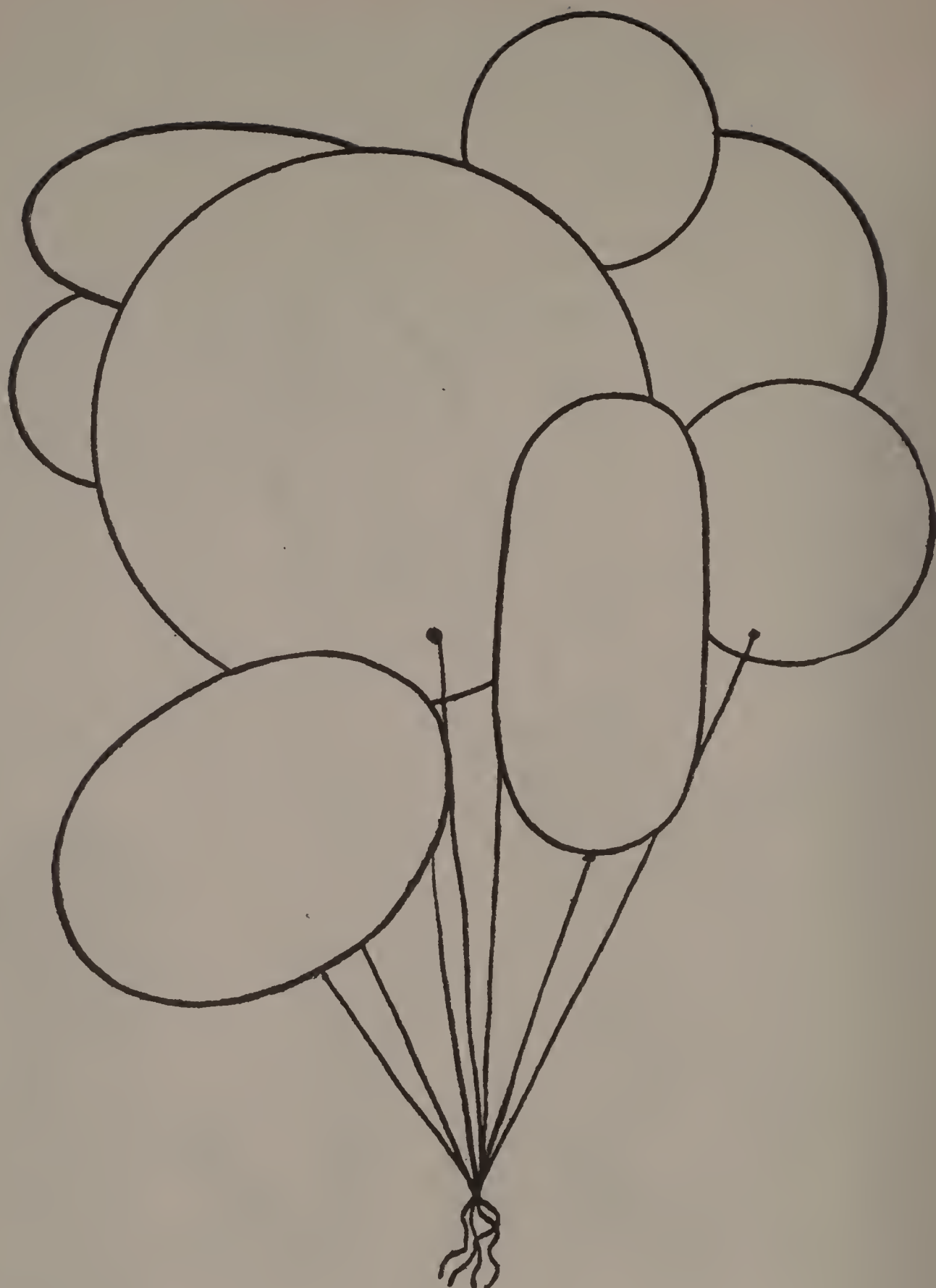
“Do you want some balloons?”

The boy said,

“Yes, I do.”

The man said,

“Then buy some.”



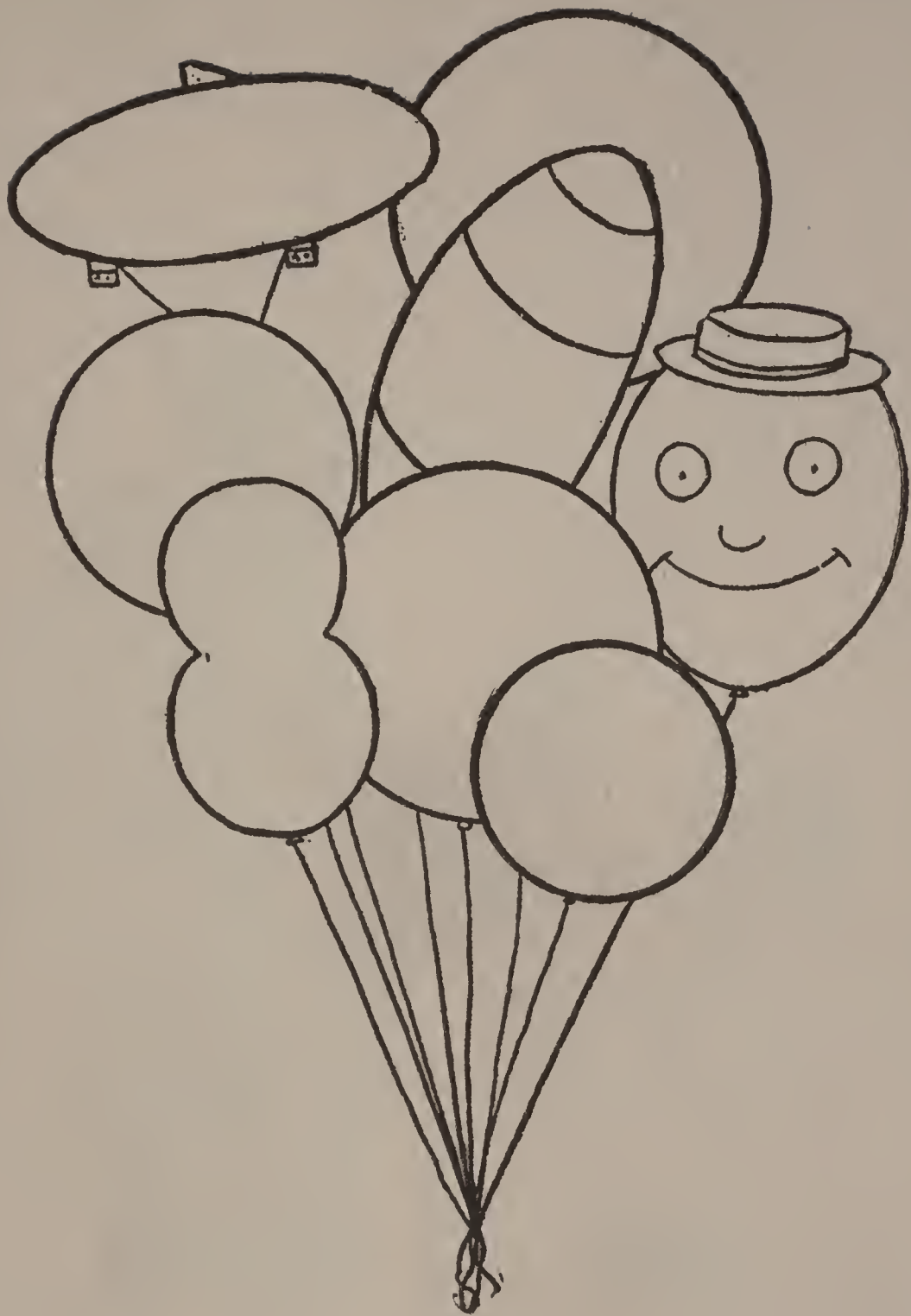
The boy said,

“I want three red ones.

I want one green one.

I want one yellow one.

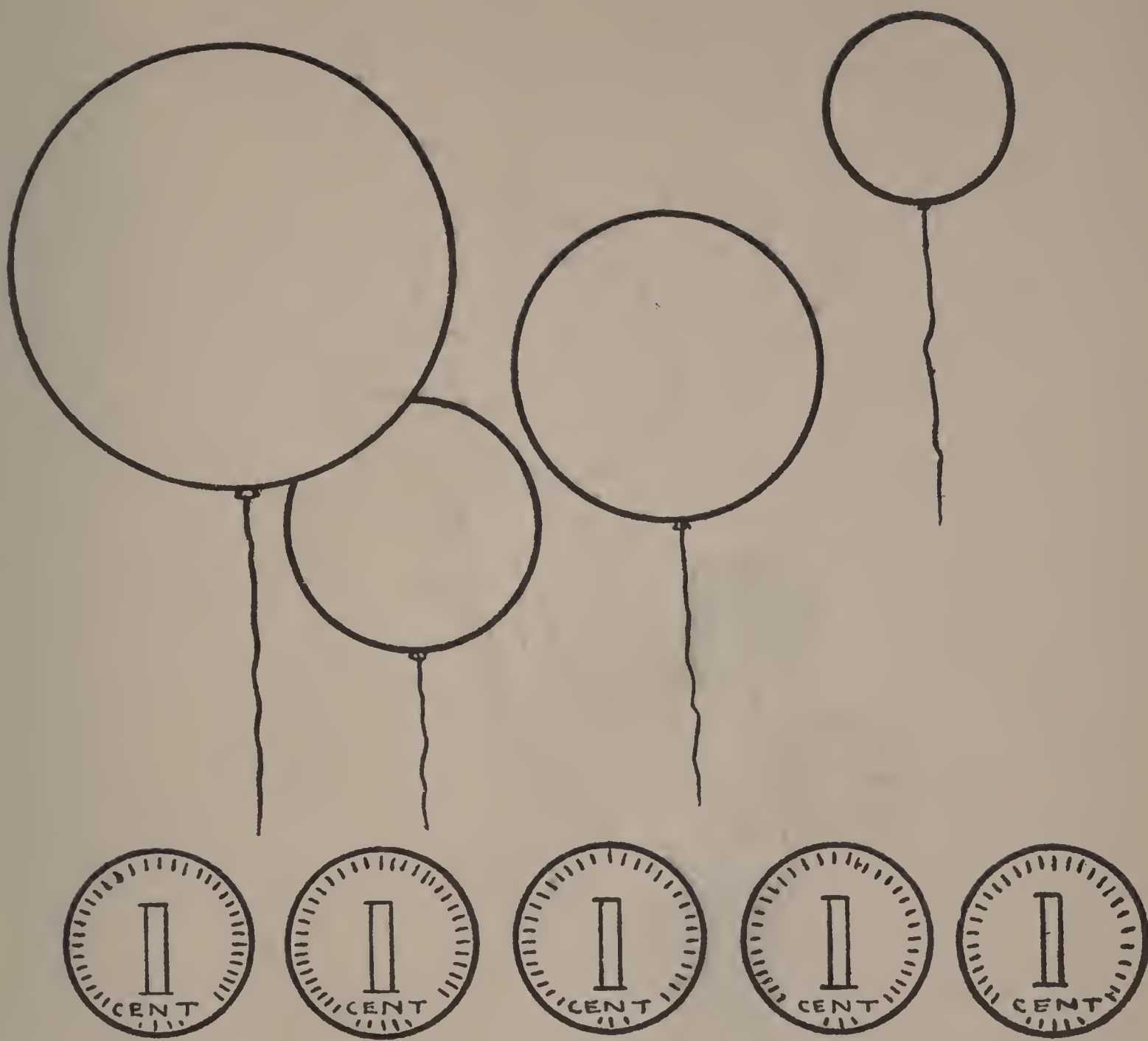
And I want three blue ones.”



The man gave the boy balloons.
He gave him three red ones.
He gave him one green one.
He gave him one yellow one.
And he gave him three blue ones.



The boy gave the man pennies.
He gave him pennies for balloons.
He gave him three pennies.
Then he gave him two pennies.
Then he gave him one penny.



The man said,

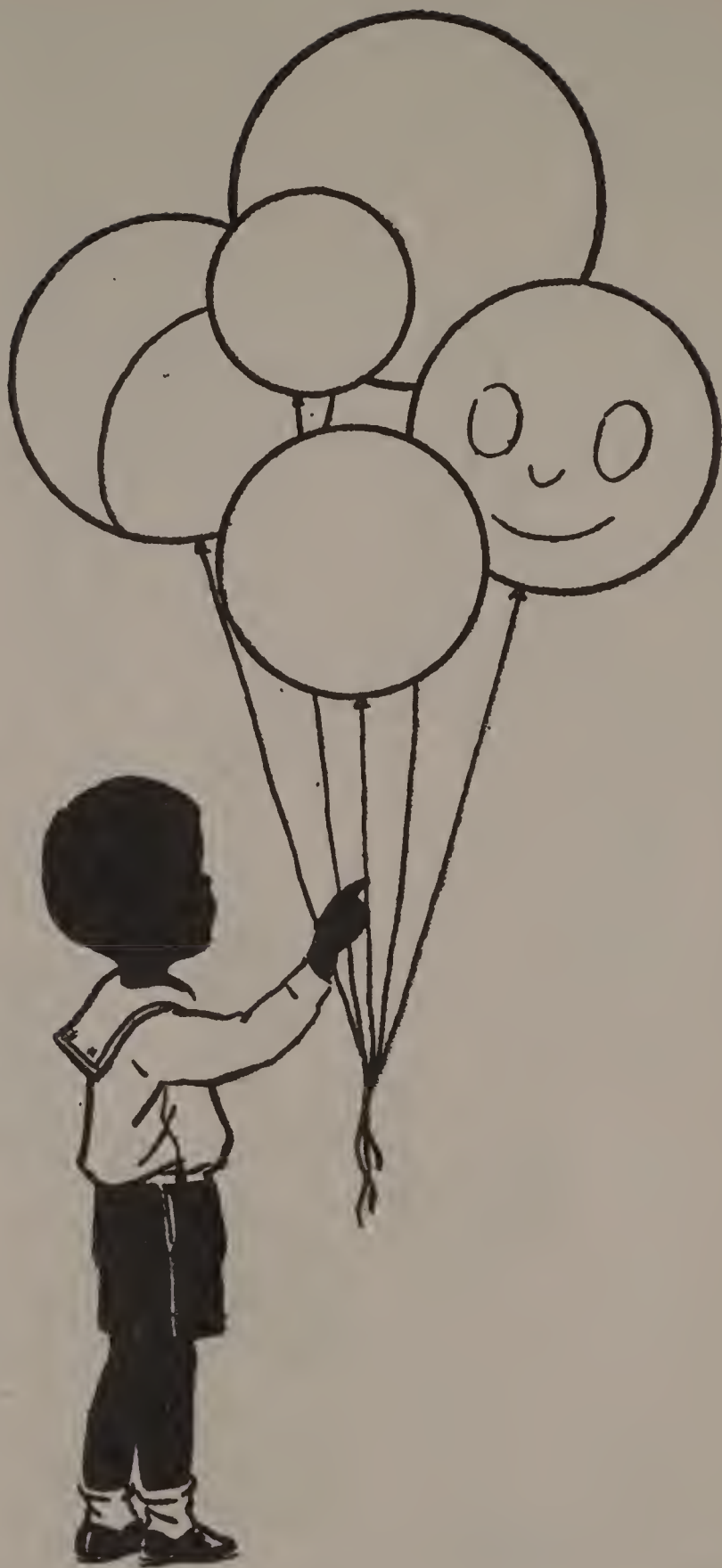
“The balloons are five pennies
each.

Five pennies for each green one.

Five pennies for each yellow one.

Five pennies for each blue one.

Five pennies for each red one.”



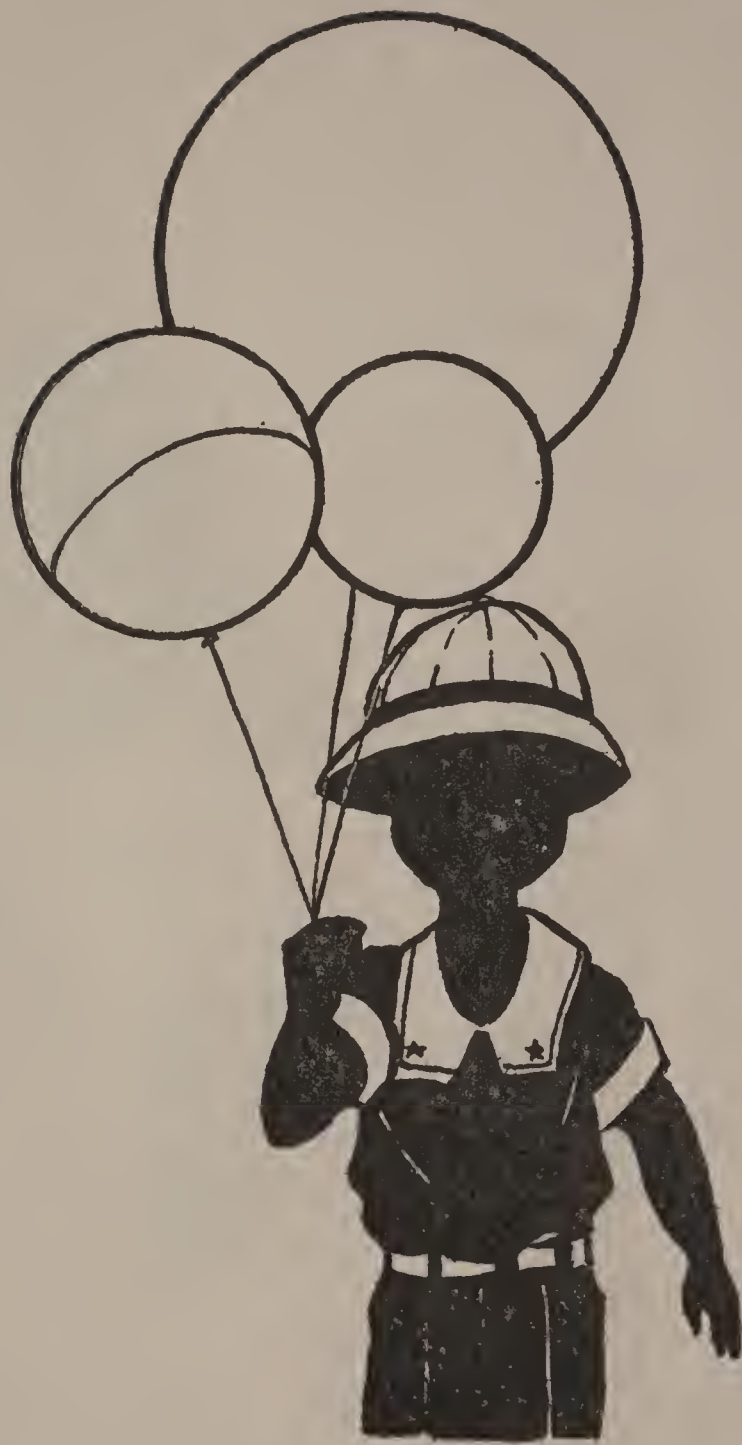
The boy said,

“I do not have many pennies.

I have pennies for a blue one.

I have pennies for a red one.

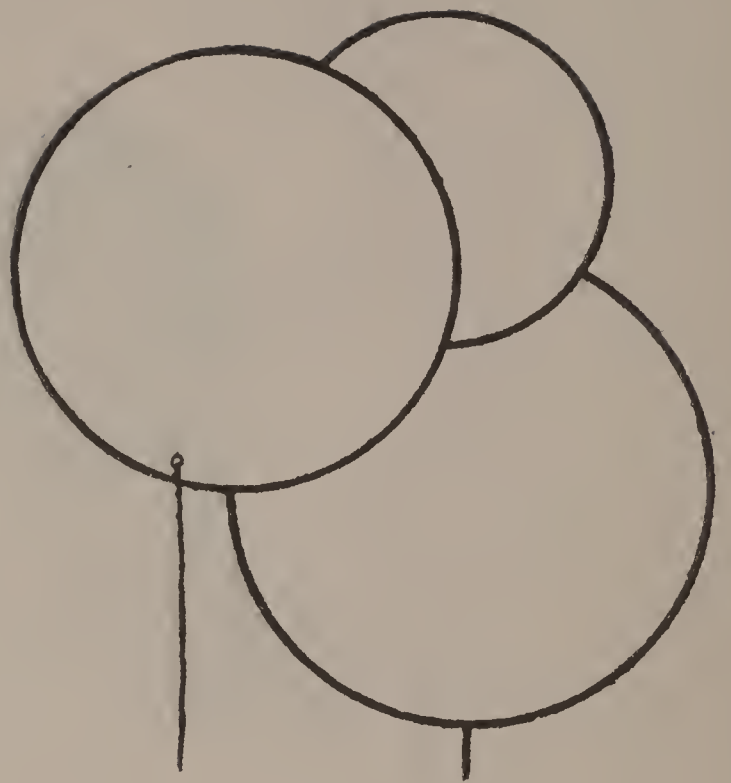
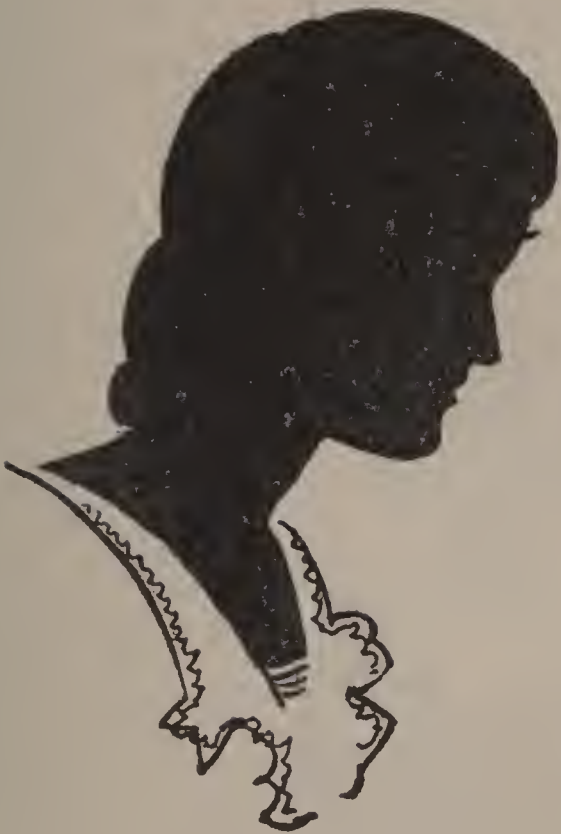
I have pennies for a yellow one.”



The man took the pennies.
The boy took three balloons.
He took the balloons home.



“Mother, Mother,” said the boy,
“I have some balloons.
I have some pretty ones.
Come see my pretty balloons.”



Mother came.

“Yes, I see them,” she said.

“I see your pretty balloons.

The red one is pretty.

The blue one is pretty.

And the yellow one is pretty.”



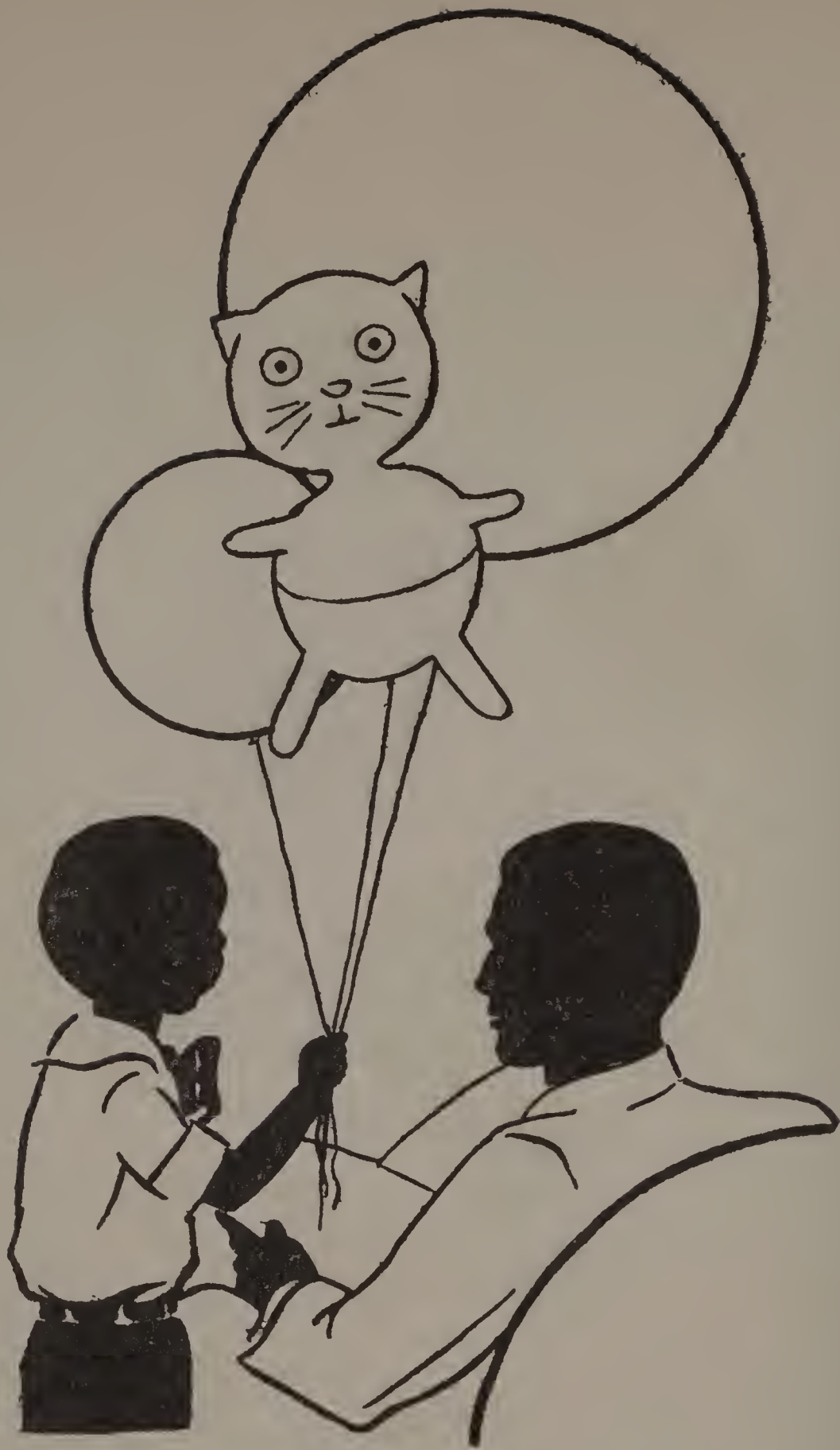
“Where did you get them?” said
mother.

“Where did you get the balloons?
Did you buy them?
Did you buy the pretty balloons?”



The boy said,

“Yes, Mother, I did buy them.
I saw the balloon man.
He had pretty balloons.
I gave him pennies.
He gave me balloons.”



The boy ran to Father.

“Father, see my balloons!” he said.

Father said,

“Yes, I see your balloons.

Where did you get them?”



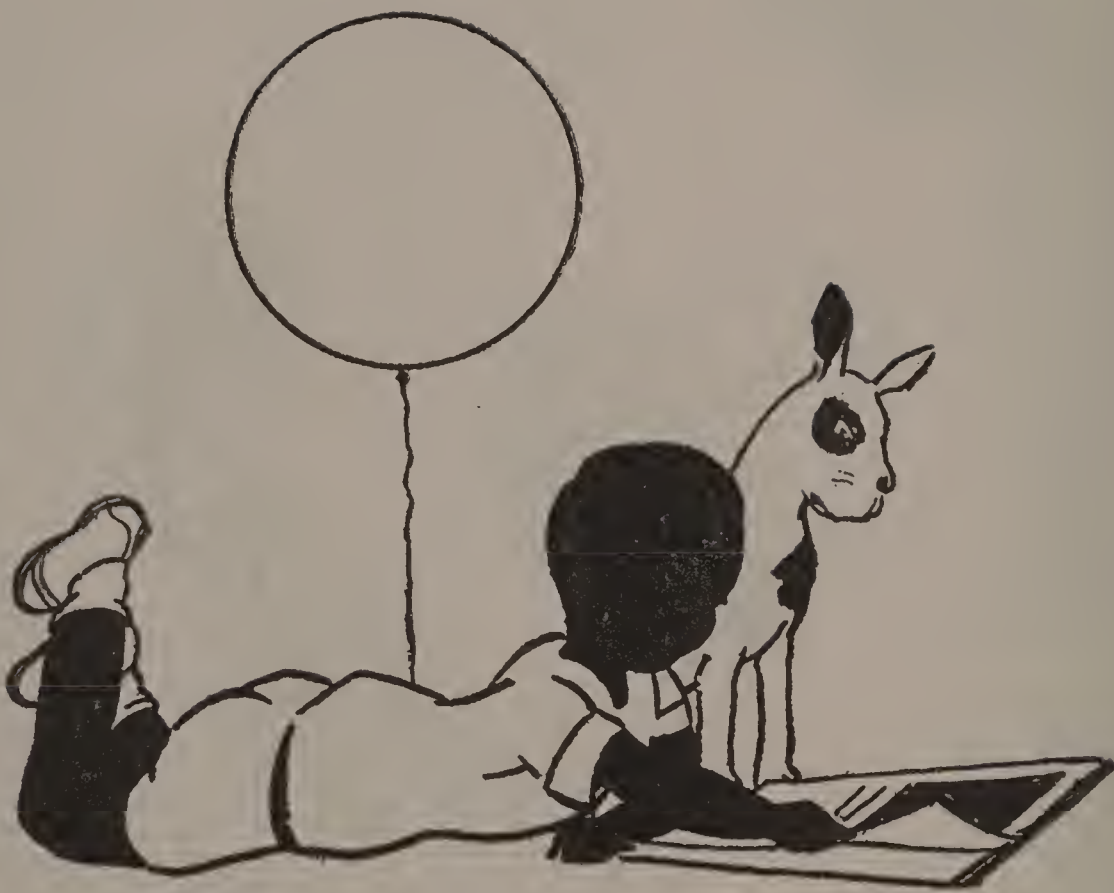
The boy said,

“I got them from a man.

I got them from the balloon man.

He sells balloons.

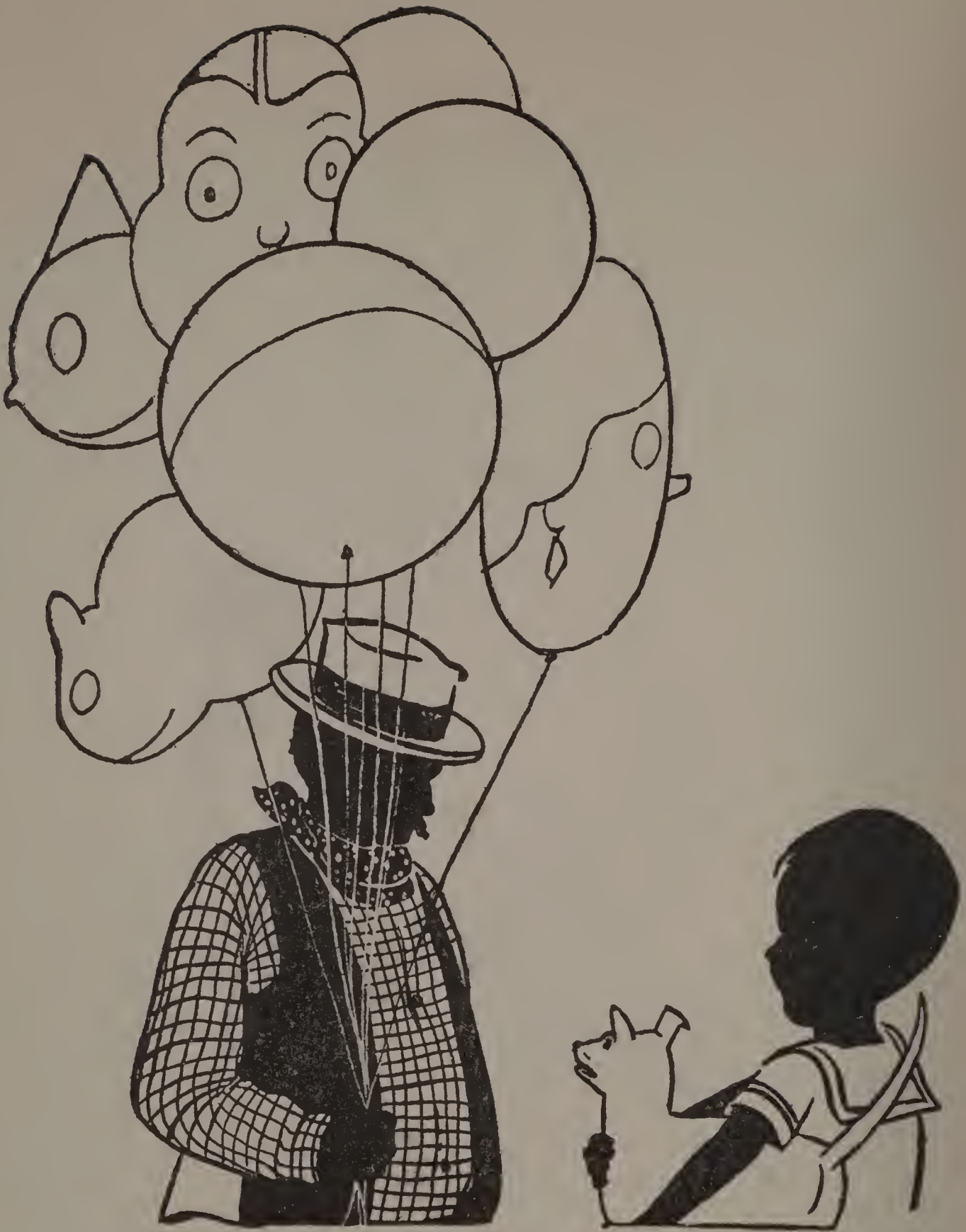
He sells pretty ones.”



The boy had a dog.
The dog was black.
The dog was “Bounce.”
The boy said,
“Come, Bounce, see my balloons.”



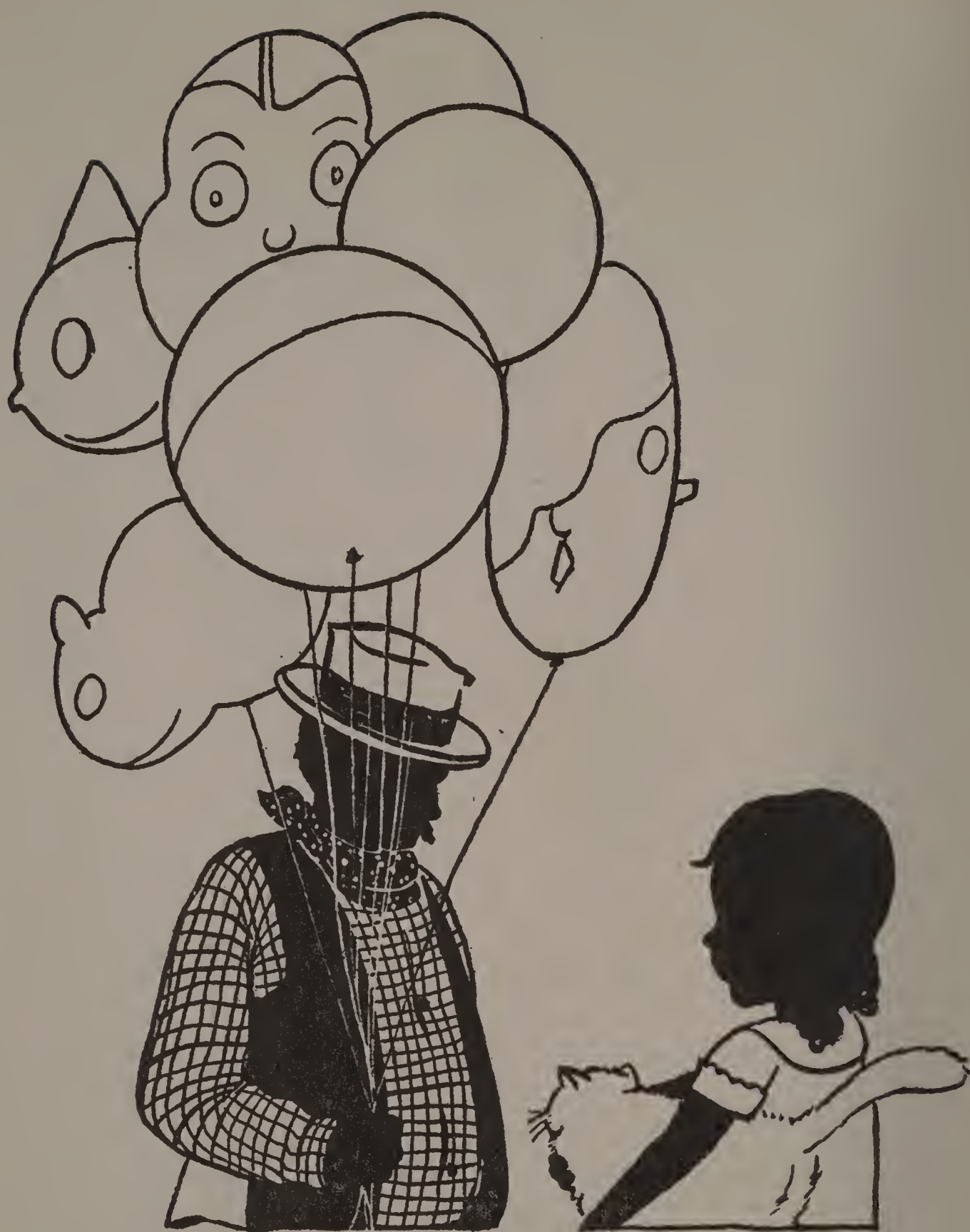
Bounce came.
Bounce said, "Bow-wow.
I see your balloons.
I like your balloons."



Bounce saw the balloon man.
The balloon man saw Bounce.
The balloon man did not like dogs.
He did not like Bounce.
Bounce did not like him.



The balloon man said,
"Take the dog away,
I do not like dogs."
The boy took Bounce away.
He did not buy balloons again.



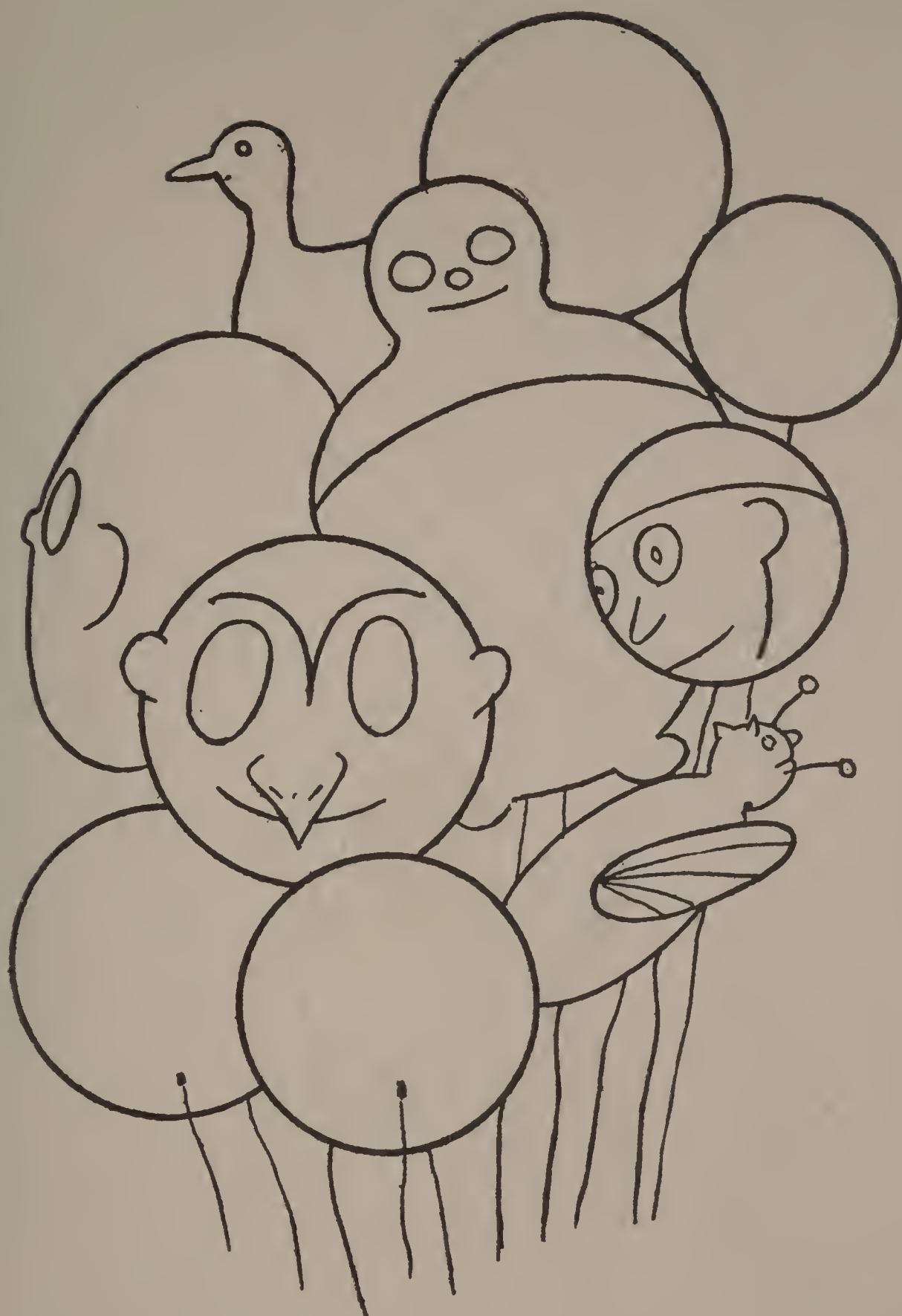
The little girl came again.
She had a kitty.
The kitty was white.
She was a little white kitty.



The kitty saw the balloons.
The kitty said, "Meow, meow.
I like balloons.
I like to play with them."



The little girl said,
“Yes, kitty likes balloons.
She likes to play with them.
She likes to run with them.”



The man said,
“Buy some balloons for her.
Buy some red ones.
Buy some purple ones.
Buy some green ones.”



The girl said,
“I want many balloons.
I want many for kitty.
I have some pennies.
I have pennies for balloons.”

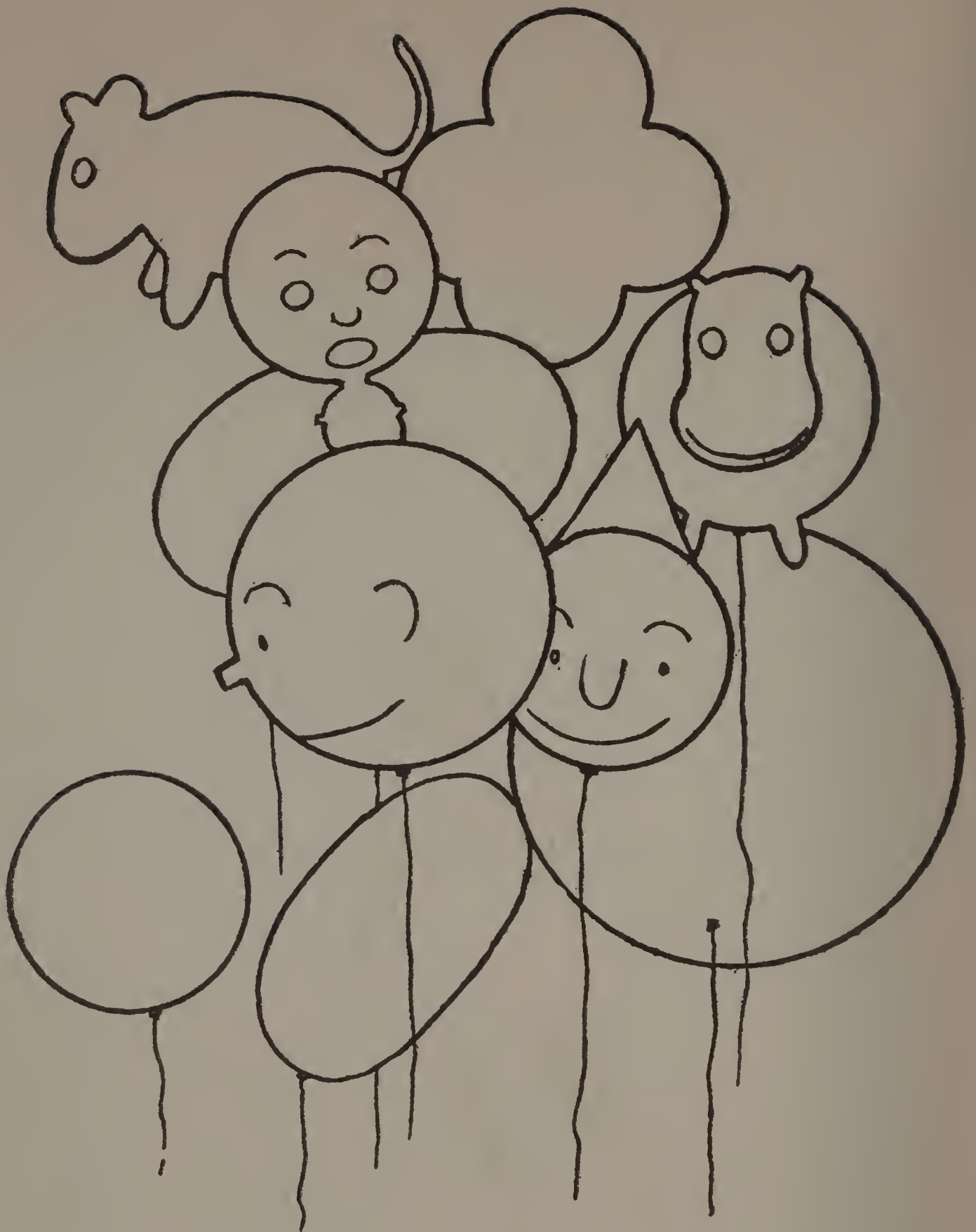


“I want purple and green ones,”
said the girl.

“I want six purple ones.

I want four green ones.

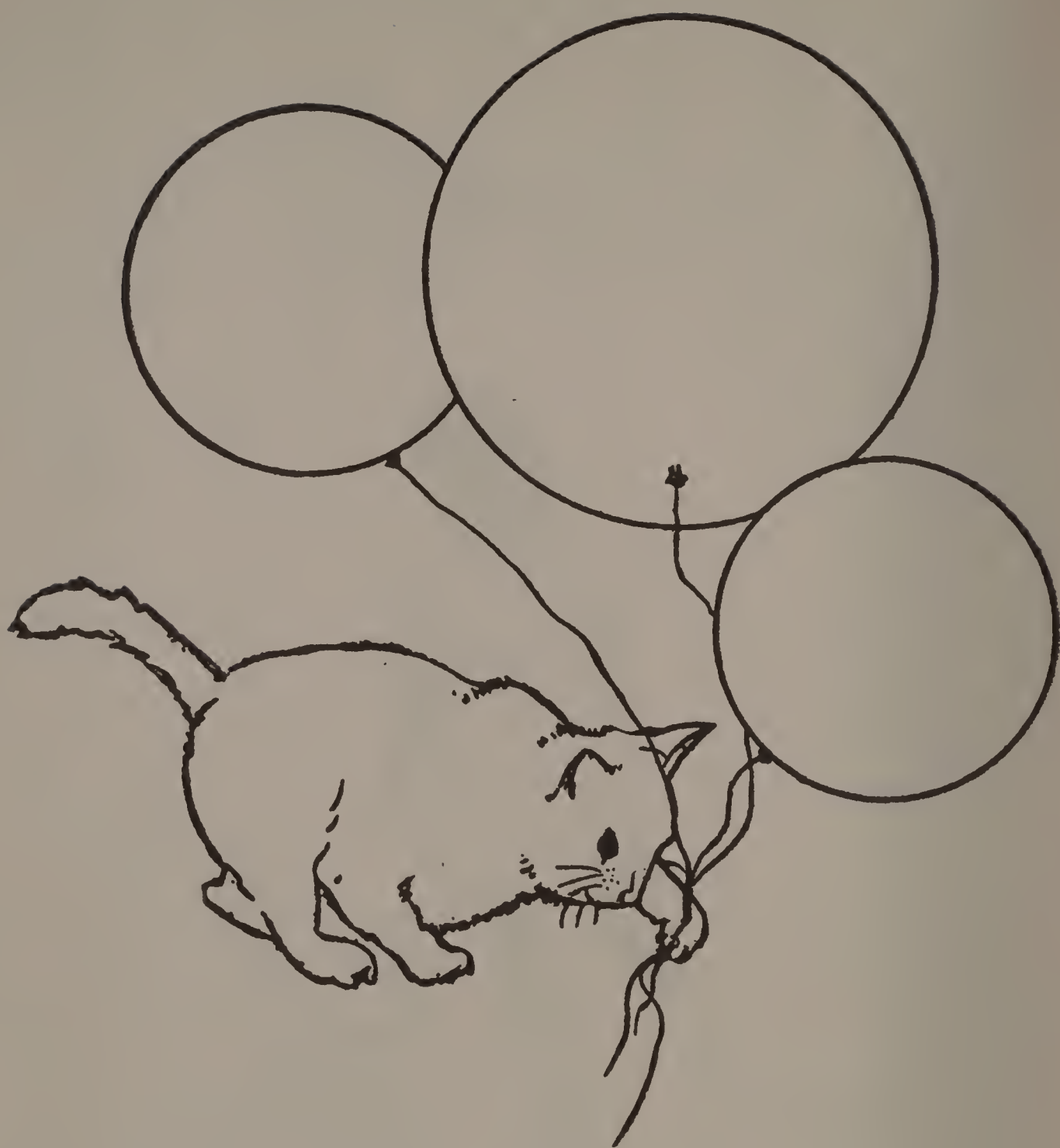
Kitty likes purple and green.”



The girl gave the man pennies.
She gave him pennies for balloons.
He gave her balloons.
He gave her ten balloons.
He gave her six purple ones.
And he gave her four green ones.



The girl went home.
She took kitty with her.
Kitty said, "Meow, meow.
I want my balloons.
I want to play with them."



The girl gave kitty her balloons.
Kitty ran and ran with them.
She played and played with them.
Pop! went a balloon.



The “pop” frightened kitty.

She ran and ran.

She ran away.

The girl saw the balloon pop.

She saw kitty run.



“Come, kitty, come,” said the girl.
Kitty came to the girl.

The girl said,

“Did your balloon pop, Kitty?”

“Meow, meow, yes, yes,” said kitty.

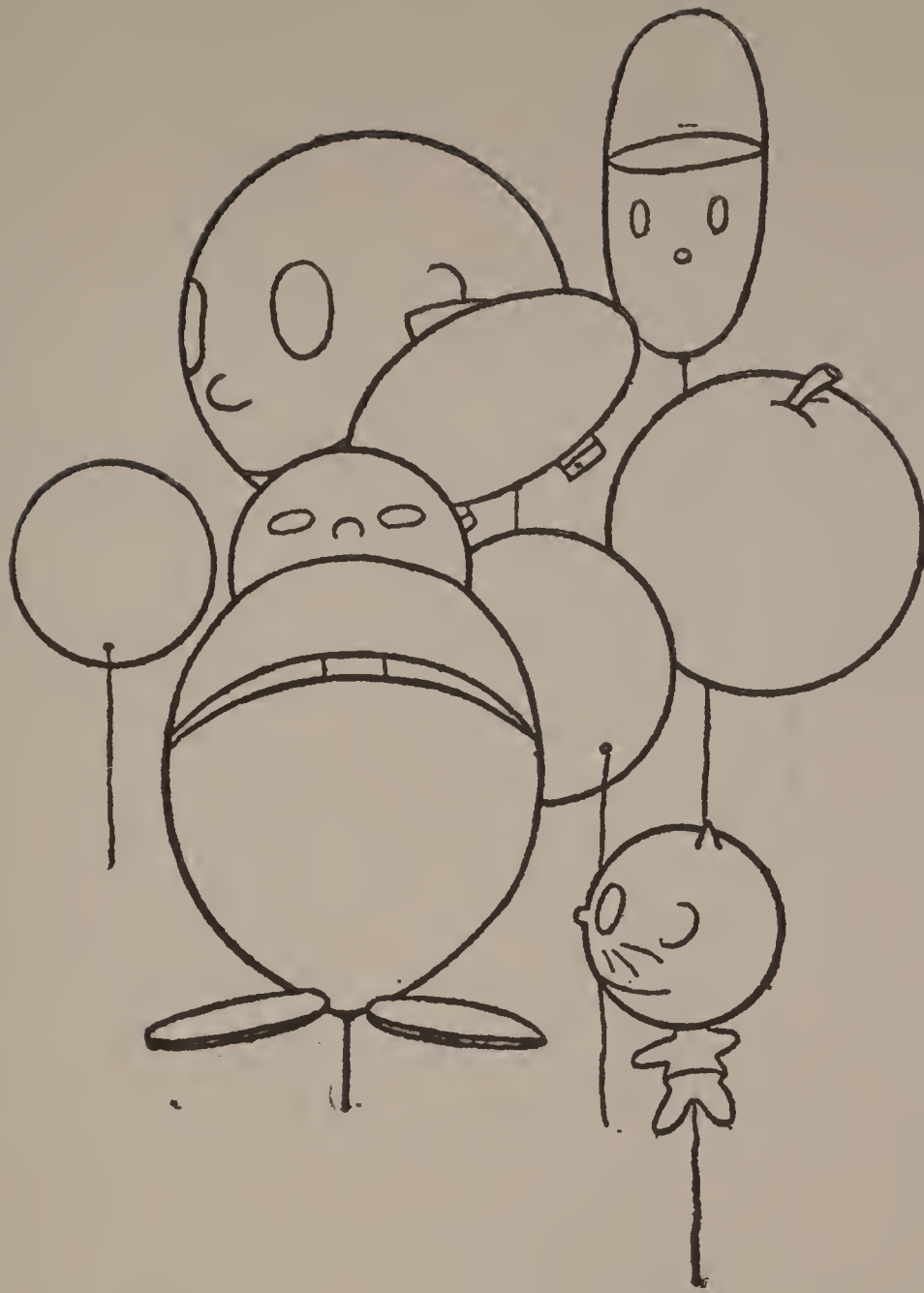


“Kitty you have nine balloons,”
said the girl.

“You had six purple ones.
One purple one went pop.
Now you have five purple ones.”



Kitty went to play again.
She went to play with her balloons.
She played and played.
Again one balloon went pop.
Again kitty was frightened.
Again she ran away.



Kitty ran to the little girl.

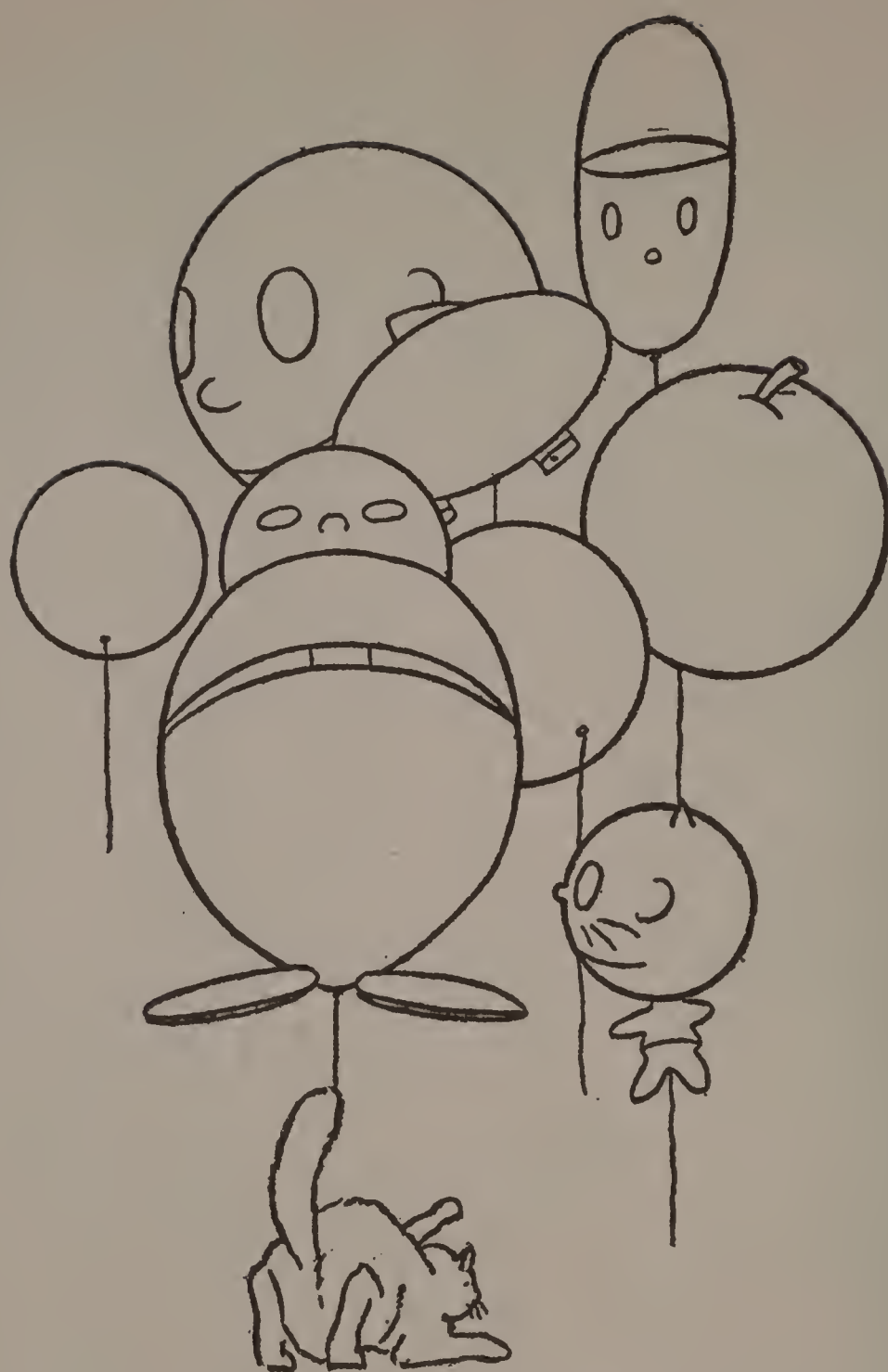
The girl said,

“Now, Kitty, you have eight balloons.

You had four green ones.

One green one went pop.

Now you have three green ones.”



“Come, kitty, come,” said the girl.
“Play with your balloons.
Eight balloons are pretty.
Kitty played and played.
She played with her balloons.”



Another balloon went pop.

Kitty did not run.

Now she had seven balloons.

She played with her seven balloons.

Another balloon went pop.



All of kitty's balloons went pop.
She did not have any now.
The girl did not have any.
Kitty played with the girl.
The girl played with kitty.

(Draw a Kitty)

A KITTY

I am a little yellow kitty.

I run and play.

I like to run and play.

I say "Meow, meow."

Draw me.

(Draw a Dog)

A DOG

I am a big black dog.

I run and play.

I bark and bite.

I do not like cats.

Draw me.

(Draw a House)

A HOUSE

This is a pretty red house.

A boy lives in it.

A girl lives in it too.

Mother lives there.

Father lives there too.

Draw it.

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